JUNEAU COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BOARD VOUCHER COMMITTEE

February 21, 2018

The Voucher Committee meeting was called to order by chairperson, Mike Kelley at 8:00 a.m. prior to the Human Services Board meeting in the County Board Room.

Present: Mike Kelley and Scott Ethun

Absent: Beverly Larson

A motion was made to go into closed session by Mike Kelley. Motion carried.

A motion to return to open session was made by Mike Kelley. Motion carried.

Motion to approve vouchers was made by Mike Kelley. Motion carried.

The meeting of the Voucher Committee is adjourned to Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. in the County Board Room, Human Services Board meeting to follow.

A motion was made by Mike Kelley to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Beverly Larson, Chairperson

Scott Ethun, Recorder

Juneau County **Human Services Board Minutes** February 21, 2018

The Human Services Meeting was called to order by Mike Kelley in the County Board Room. It was noted that the meeting had been posted in accordance with the law.

Present: Mike Kelley, Tim Cottingham, Orville Robinson, Carl Wildes, Peg Saylor, Scott Ethun

Absent: Beverly Larson, Carrie Buss

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Orville Robinson and seconded by Tim Cottingham to approve the minutes of the January 24, 2018 meeting.

Behavioral Health and AODA Unit Presentation

JoAnn Geiger, manager of the Behavioral Health unit and the staff of BHU introduced themselves and each member gave a brief overview of their job function. This unit has grown in the Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) program in the past year, adding four additional positions. This growth allows the department to serve more consumers; each CCS staff has 12- 15 consumers. The Coordinated Services Team continues the get referrals through schools, self and community. Crisis contacts daytime and afterhours, continue to rise. The department contracts with the jail to provided mental health services for consumers incarcerated through the Crisis program. Mental Health and AODA both continue to receive new referrals as well.

Building Update - Tim Cottingham

Things are going as scheduled. The Highway Department will begin moving Public Health the 1st week of March. A tentative schedule of the move has been set by the building committee and will work together with IT and the highway department to coordinate this move. Phase 3 of the project will begin once the Hickory and Annex buildings are vacant.

Billing for Crisis

Mr. Ethun and JoAnn Geiger discussed the possibility of not requiring payment for crisis intervention services when the consumer has private insurance. Many private insurance companies will not cover crisis intervention services resulting in the consumer being responsible for full payment. Medical Assistance will pay for this service and we will to continue bill MA. JoAnn explained that individuals seeking crisis services are typically in traumatic situations being referred to our agency from law enforcement or the hospital. It is essential for our department to serve these individuals connecting them with needed services and many times preventing hospitalizations for these individuals. Mr. Ethun will ask Lori Chipman to attend the next meeting to discuss further and have any financial burden this may bring the County to grant this request.

Combining CCS, CST and Long Term Support Committee

The CCS, CST and Long Term Support committees each have a requirement to have one citizen member at each meeting. This requirement has been difficult to achieve so the three committees have agreed to combine as one meeting rather than three. This change has been approved through County Chairperson Alan Petersen.

Items for the Next Meeting

Mental Health and AODA Presentation Crisis Billing

Next Meeting Date

Billing for Crisis

<u>Adjourn</u>